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Re: Patent Application of: Ashok K. Shukla, et.al.

Serial No. 10/003,422

Art Unit: 2856

Filing Date: 12/06/2001 Examiner: RAEVIS, ROBERT R.

Title: Magnetic Pipette

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Date : Dec. 23, 2003

AMENDMENTS

In response to communication mailed on 07/23/2003 and interview on 10/16/2003 with the examiner , please amend the above-referred application as follows:

Claim, 4, 6, 7, 10,11,13,15,18,19 and 20 are deleted.

A MARKED AND CLEAN VERSION OF THE CLAIMS IS ATTACHED.

REMARKS

During the interview , inventors demonstrated the advantage of the magnet attached to a pipette or pipettor, and agreed to produce letters from the experts in this field that such a device is not in the market, and advantage of having a magnet on the pippette

Herewith, we are attaching two letters that describe the novelty and usefulness of this invention, and we also looked in catalogues of various scientific instruments manufacturers such as VWR, FISHER SCIENTIFIC and SIGMA Chemicals, which are leading suppliers of lab and scientific instruments and they sell different brands of pipettes but have no such pipette with a magnet.

Remark to office action:

1., 2, 3 is modified in the claim 1 and 2 by describing the housing that contains the magnet.

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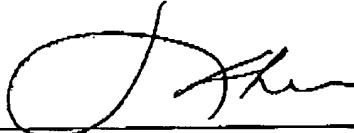
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